GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:104
ANSWERED ON:09.02.2017
Traffic Updates to Travellers on Highways
Natterjee Shri J. Jayasingh Thiyagaraj

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to introduce any system for providing updates on crashes, congestion and other related information to travellers on highways and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has conducted/proposes to undertake any pilot scheme in this regard and if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and

(c) the time by which the said system is likely to be made operational?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.104 ANSWERED ON 9TH FEBRUARY, 2017 ASKED BY SHRI J.J.T. NATTERJEE REGARDING "TRAFFIC UPDATES TO TRAVELLERS ON HIGHWAYS".

(a) to (c) Yes Madam. Phase-1 of the pilot project on Highway Advisory Services to provide real time traffic updates was implemented on Delhi − Jaipur National Highway-8. The pilot project was implemented under the World Bank Technical Assistance program.

The Pilot Project as Phase-I was implemented from 10th March, 2016 to 10th October, 2016. Through All India Radio (A IR) stations in Delhi, Alwar and Jaipur, real time traffic updates of duration 5 minutes each, was provided in 18 bulletins everyday. The information was provided on traffic congestion, accidents toll plaza waiting times, weather conditions, road diversions and road safety education.

The Ministry has also commissioned an independent study to evaluate the impact of the pilot project and the preliminary findings of the study are encouraging.

Phase-II of the pilot project which is also being funded under the World Bank Technical Assistance program, wherein the pilot will be implemented on more stretches, has been approved.

*****